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Dear Sir:

Petitioner, Restore Medical Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota and having its primary place of business at 2800 Patton Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55113, represents that it is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/629,145, filed on July 29, 2003 and entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS TO TREAT CONDITIONS OF THE NASO-PHARYNGEAL AREA, by virtue of our Assignment recorded at Reel 011037, Frame(s) 0901 and our Merger and Change of Name recorded at Reel 013706, Frame(s) 0220.

Petitioner, Restore Medical Inc., hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,431,174 B1; 6,250,307 B1; and 6,513,530 B2 and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the aboveidentified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent Nos. 6,431,174 B1; 6,250,307 B1;

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